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TITLE: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PLASTIC FOAM COMPOSITE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please enter the following claim amendments for the above-identified application:

REMARKS

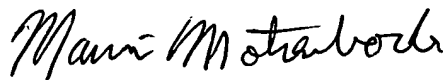
The identified, accompanying national stage application of a PCT application contains claims 1-29. This preliminary amendment amends claims 5-29 without adding any new terms.

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency. No new matter has been added.

Entry of the claim amendments and consideration thereof respectfully are solicited.

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